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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT) at 6 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON H.R. 5441, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

Mr. LEWIS of California, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 109-476) on the bill (H.R. 5441) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1, rule XXI, all points of order are reserved on the bill.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

S. 1235, by the yeas and nays,

H.R. 3858, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The second vote will be a 5-minute vote.

VETERANS' HOUSING OPPORTUNITY AND BENEFITS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 1235, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1235, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 372, nays 0, not voting 61, as follows:

[Roll No. 177]

YEAS—372

Abercrombie	Berkley	Boswell
Ackerman	Berry	Boucher
Aderholt	Biggert	Boustany
Akin	Bilirakis	Boyd
Alexander	Bishop (GA)	Bradley (NH)
Allen	Bishop (NY)	Brady (PA)
Baca	Bishop (UT)	Brady (TX)
Bachus	Blackburn	Brown (OH)
Baker	Blumenauer	Brown (SC)
Baldwin	Blunt	Brown-Waite,
Barrett (SC)	Boehlert	Ginny
Barrow	Boehner	Burgess
Bartlett (MD)	Bonilla	Burton (IN)
Barton (TX)	Bonner	Butterfield
Bass	Bono	Buyer
Bean	Boozman	Calvert
Beauprez	Boren	Campbell (CA)

Cantor	Herger	Napolitano
Capito	Higgins	Neal (MA)
Capps	Hobson	Neugebauer
Cardin	Hoekstra	Ney
Cardoza	Holden	Northup
Carnahan	Holt	Norwood
Carson	Honda	Nunes
Carter	Hooley	Obey
Case	Hostettler	Oliver
Castle	Hoyer	Ortiz
Chabot	Hulshof	Osborne
Chandler	Hyde	Otter
Chocola	Inslee	Pallone
Clay	Israel	Pascarell
Cleaver	Jackson (IL)	Pastor
Clyburn	Jackson-Lee	Paul
Coble	(TX)	Payne
Cole (OK)	Jefferson	Pearce
Conaway	Jindal	Pelosi
Conyers	Johnson (CT)	Pence
Cooper	Johnson (IL)	Peterson (MN)
Costa	Johnson, E. B.	Petri
Costello	Johnson, Sam	Pitts
Cramer	Jones (NC)	Poe
Crenshaw	Kanjorski	Pomeroy
Crowley	Kaptur	Porter
Cubin	Kelly	Price (GA)
Cuellar	Kennedy (MN)	Price (NC)
Culberson	Kildee	Putnam
Cummings	Kind	Radanovich
Davis (AL)	King (IA)	Rahall
Davis (CA)	King (NY)	Ramstad
Davis (IL)	Kingston	Rangel
Davis (KY)	Kirk	Regula
Davis (TN)	Kline	Reichert
Davis, Jo Ann	Knollenberg	Renzi
Davis, Tom	Kucinich	Rogers (AL)
Deal (GA)	Kuhl (NY)	Rogers (KY)
DeFazio	LaHood	Rogers (MI)
Delahunt	Langevin	Rohrabacher
DeLauro	Lantos	Ros-Lehtinen
DeLay	Larsen (WA)	Ross
Dent	Latham	Rothman
Diaz-Balart, L.	LaTourrette	Roybal-Allard
Diaz-Balart, M.	Leach	Royce
Dicks	Lee	Rush
Dingell	Levin	Ryan (OH)
Doggett	Lewis (CA)	Ryan (WI)
Doyle	Lewis (KY)	Ryun (KS)
Drake	Linder	Sabo
Dreier	Lipinski	Salazar
Duncan	LoBiondo	Sanders
Edwards	Lofgren, Zoe	Saxton
Ehlers	Lucas	Schakowsky
Emanuel	Lungren, Daniel	Schiff
Emerson	E.	Schmidt
Engel	Lynch	Schwartz (PA)
English (PA)	Mack	Schwarz (MI)
Eshoo	Maloney	Scott (GA)
Etheridge	Manzullo	Scott (VA)
Everett	Marchant	Sensenbrenner
Farr	Markey	Serrano
Fattah	Marshall	Sessions
Feeney	Matheson	Shadegg
Ferguson	Matsui	Shaw
Filner	McCarthy	Shays
Fitzpatrick (PA)	McCaul (TX)	Sherman
Flake	McCollum (MN)	Sherwood
Fortenberry	McCotter	Shimkus
Fossella	McCrery	Shuster
Fox	McDermott	Simmons
Frank (MA)	McGovern	Simpson
Franks (AZ)	McHenry	Skelton
Frelinghuysen	McHugh	Slaughter
Garrett (NJ)	McIntyre	Smith (NJ)
Gerlach	McKeon	Smith (TX)
Gilchrest	McMorris	Smith (WA)
Gillmor	McNulty	Sodrel
Gingrey	Meehan	Solis
Gohmert	Meek (FL)	Souder
Gonzalez	Meeks (NY)	Spratt
Goode	Melancon	Stark
Goodlatte	Mica	Stearns
Gordon	Michaud	Stupak
Granger	Millender-	Sullivan
Green, Al	McDonald	Tancredo
Green, Gene	Miller (FL)	Tanner
Grijalva	Miller (MI)	Tauscher
Gutknecht	Miller (NC)	Taylor (MS)
Hall	Miller, Gary	Terry
Harman	Miller, George	Thomas
Harris	Mollohan	Thompson (CA)
Hart	Moore (KS)	Thompson (MS)
Hastert	Moore (WI)	Thornberry
Hastings (WA)	Moran (KS)	Tiaht
Hayes	Murphy	Tiberi
Hayworth	Musgrave	Tierney
Hefley	Myrick	Towns
Hensarling	Nadler	Turner

Udall (CO)	Wasserman	Wexler
Udall (NM)	Schultz	Whitfield
Upton	Watson	Wilson (NM)
Van Hollen	Watt	Wilson (SC)
Velázquez	Waxman	Wolf
Visclosky	Weiner	Woolsey
Walden (OR)	Weldon (FL)	Wu
Walsh	Weldon (PA)	Wynn
Wamp	Weller	Young (AK)
	Westmoreland	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—61

Andrews	Herseth	Owens
Baird	Hinchey	Oxley
Becerra	Hinojosa	Peterson (PA)
Berman	Hunter	Pickering
Brown, Corrine	Inglis (SC)	Platts
Camp (MI)	Issa	Pombo
Cannon	Istook	Pryce (OH)
Capuano	Jenkins	Rehberg
Davis (FL)	Jones (OH)	Reyes
DeGette	Keller	Reynolds
Doolittle	Kennedy (RI)	Ruppersberger
Evans	Kilpatrick (MI)	Sánchez, Linda
Foley	Kolbe	T.
Forbes	Larson (CT)	Sanchez, Loretta
Ford	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Gallegly	Lowey	Strickland
Gibbons	McKinney	Sweeney
Graves	Moran (VA)	Taylor (NC)
Green (WI)	Murtha	Waters
Gutierrez	Nussle	Wicker
Hastings (FL)	Oberstar	

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So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the Senate bill was amended so as to read: "An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve and extend housing, insurance, outreach, and benefits programs provided under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, to improve and extend employment programs for veterans under laws administered by the Secretary of Labor, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PETS EVACUATION AND TRANSPORTATION STANDARDS ACT OF 2005

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 3858.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SHUSTER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3858, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 349, nays 24, not voting 60, as follows:

[Roll No. 178]

YEAS—349

Abercrombie	Barrett (SC)	Bishop (GA)
Ackerman	Barrow	Bishop (NY)
Aderholt	Bartlett (MD)	Bishop (UT)
Akin	Barton (TX)	Blumenauer
Alexander	Bass	Blunt
Allen	Bean	Boehlert
Baca	Beauprez	Boehner
Bachus	Berkley	Bonilla
Baker	Biggert	Bonner
Baldwin	Bilirakis	Bono

Boozman	Green, Gene	Miller (NC)	Udall (CO)	Watson	Wilson (SC)
Boren	Grijalva	Miller, Gary	Udall (NM)	Watt	Wolf
Boswell	Gutknecht	Miller, George	Upton	Waxman	Woolsey
Boucher	Hall	Mollohan	Van Hollen	Weiner	Wu
Boustany	Harman	Moore (KS)	Velázquez	Weldon (FL)	Wynn
Boyd	Harris	Moore (WI)	Visclosky	Weldon (PA)	Young (AK)
Bradley (NH)	Hart	Moran (KS)	Walden (OR)	Weller	Young (FL)
Brady (PA)	Hastert	Murphy	Walsh	Wexler	
Brady (TX)	Hastings (WA)	Musgrave	Wasserman	Whitfield	
Brown (OH)	Hayes	Myrick	Schultz	Wilson (NM)	
Brown (SC)	Hayworth	Nadler			
Brown-Waite,	Hefley	Napolitano			
Ginny	Hensarling	Neal (MA)			
Burgess	Herger	Ney	Berry	McHenry	Putnam
Burton (IN)	Higgins	Northup	Blackburn	Miller (FL)	Shadegg
Butterfield	Hinchee	Nunnes	Buyer	Miller (MI)	Sodrel
Calvert	Hobson	Obey	Feeney	Neugebauer	Tancredo
Campbell (CA)	Hoekstra	Oliver	Flake	Norwood	Terry
Cantor	Holden	Ortiz	Garrett (NJ)	Paul	Tiahrt
Capito	Holt	Osborne	Gohmert	Pitts	Wamp
Capps	Honda	Otter	King (IA)	Poe	Westmoreland
Cardin	Hooley	Pallone			
Cardoza	Hostettler	Pascarell			
Carnahan	Hoyer	Pastor	Andrews	Hastings (FL)	Oxley
Carson	Hulshof	Payne	Baird	Herseth	Peterson (PA)
Carter	Hyde	Pearce	Becerra	Hinojosa	Pickering
Case	Inslee	Pelosi	Berman	Hunter	Platts
Castle	Israel	Pence	Brown, Corrine	Inglis (SC)	Pombo
Chabot	Jackson (IL)	Peterson (MN)	Camp (MI)	Issa	Pryce (OH)
Chandler	Jackson-Lee	Petri	Cannon	Istook	Rehberg
Chocola	(TX)	Pomeroy	Capuano	Jenkins	Reyes
Clay	Jefferson	Porter	Davis (FL)	Jones (OH)	Reynolds
Cleaver	Jindal	Price (GA)	DeGette	Kennedy (RI)	Ruppersberger
Clyburn	Johnson (CT)	Price (NC)	Doolittle	Kilpatrick (MI)	Sánchez, Linda
Coble	Johnson (IL)	Radanovich	Edwards	Kolbe	T.
Cole (OK)	Johnson, E. B.	Rahall	Evans	Larson (CT)	Sanchez, Loretta
Conaway	Johnson, Sam	Ramstad	Foley	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Conyers	Jones (NC)	Rangel	Forbes	Lowey	Strickland
Cooper	Kanjorski	Regula	Ford	McKinney	Sweeney
Costa	Kaptur	Reichert	Gallegly	Moran (VA)	Taylor (NC)
Costello	Keller	Renzi	Gibbons	Murtha	Waters
Cramer	Kelly	Rogers (AL)	Graves	Nussle	Wicker
Crenshaw	Kennedy (MN)	Rogers (KY)	Green (WI)	Oberstar	
Crowley	Kildee	Rogers (MI)	Gutiérrez	Owens	
Cubin	Kind	Rohrabacher			
Cuellar	King (NY)	Ros-Lehtinen			
Culberson	Kingston	Ross			
Cummings	Kirk	Rothman			
Davis (AL)	Kline	Roybal-Allard			
Davis (CA)	Knollenberg	Royce			
Davis (IL)	Kucinich	Rush			
Davis (KY)	Kuhl (NY)	Ryan (OH)			
Davis (TN)	LaHood	Ryan (WI)			
Davis, Jo Ann	Langevin	Ryun (KS)			
Davis, Tom	Lantos	Sabo			
Deal (GA)	Larsen (WA)	Salazar			
DeFazio	Latham	Sanders			
Delahunt	LaTourrette	Saxton			
DeLauro	Leach	Schakowsky			
DeLay	Lee	Schiff			
Dent	Levin	Schmidt			
Diaz-Balart, L.	Lewis (CA)	Schwartz (PA)			
Diaz-Balart, M.	Lewis (KY)	Schwarz (MI)			
Dicks	Linder	Scott (GA)			
Dingell	Lipinski	Scott (VA)			
Doggett	LoBiondo	Sensenbrenner			
Doyle	Lofgren, Zoe	Serrano			
Drake	Lucas	Sessions			
Dreier	Lungren, Daniel	Shaw			
Duncan	E.	Shays			
Ehlers	Lynch	Sherman			
Emanuel	Mack	Sherwood			
Emerson	Maloney	Shimkus			
Engel	Manzullo	Shuster			
English (PA)	Marchant	Simmons			
Eshoo	Markey	Simpson			
Etheridge	Marshall	Skelton			
Everett	Matheson	Slaughter			
Farr	Matsui	Smith (NJ)			
Fattah	McCarthy	Smith (TX)			
Ferguson	McCaul (TX)	Smith (WA)			
Filner	McCollum (MN)	Solis			
Fitzpatrick (PA)	McCotter	Souder			
Fortenberry	McCrery	Spratt			
Fossella	McDermott	Stark			
Foxx	McGovern	Stearns			
Frank (MA)	McHugh	Stupak			
Franks (AZ)	McIntyre	Sullivan			
Frelinghuysen	McKeon	Tanner			
Gerlach	McMorris	Tauscher			
Gilchrest	McNulty	Taylor (MS)			
Gillmor	Meehan	Thomas			
Gingrey	Meek (FL)	Thompson (CA)			
Gonzalez	Meeks (NY)	Thompson (MS)			
Goode	Melancon	Thornberry			
Goodlatte	Mica	Tiberi			
Gordon	Michaud	Tierney			
Granger	Millender	Towns			
Green, Al	McDonald	Turner			

1235 (Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2005) and "yea" on H.R. 3858 (Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005).

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, today I was unavoidably absent and missed rollcall votes Nos. 177 and 178. Had I been present, I would have voted: "Yea" on rollcall No. 177, S. 1235, the "Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2005" and "yea" on rollcall No. 178, H.R. 3858, the "Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, official business requires my absence from legislative business scheduled for today, Monday, May 22, 2006. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" on S. 1235, the Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2005 (rollcall No. 177) and "yea" on H.R. 3858, Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005 (rollcall No. 178).

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 177 and 178 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on both measures.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. POMBO. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote today on the House floor. I take my responsibility to vote very seriously and would like my intentions included in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

I had been present, I would have voted "yea" on S. 1235, Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2005.

Additionally, had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on H.R. 3858, the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, on the legislative day of Monday, May 22, 2006, the House had a vote on rollcall 177, on S. 1235, the Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act, Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

The House also had a vote on rollcall 178, on H.R. 3858, the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I was unavoidably detained in my district due to congressional business. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 177 and "yea" on rollcall No. 178.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KUHLE of New York). Pursuant to clause

NAYS—24

Berry	McHenry	Putnam
Blackburn	Miller (FL)	Shadegg
Buyer	Miller (MI)	Sodrel
Feeney	Neugebauer	Tancredo
Flake	Norwood	Terry
Garrett (NJ)	Paul	Tiahrt
Gohmert	Pitts	Wamp
King (IA)	Poe	Westmoreland

NOT VOTING—60

Andrews	Hastings (FL)	Oxley
Baird	Herseth	Peterson (PA)
Becerra	Hinojosa	Pickering
Berman	Hunter	Platts
Brown, Corrine	Inglis (SC)	Pombo
Camp (MI)	Issa	Pryce (OH)
Cannon	Istook	Rehberg
Capuano	Jenkins	Reyes
Davis (FL)	Jones (OH)	Reynolds
DeGette	Kennedy (RI)	Ruppersberger
Doolittle	Kilpatrick (MI)	Sánchez, Linda
Edwards	Kolbe	T.
Evans	Larson (CT)	Sanchez, Loretta
Foley	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Forbes	Lowey	Strickland
Ford	McKinney	Sweeney
Gallegly	Moran (VA)	Taylor (NC)
Gibbons	Murtha	Waters
Graves	Nussle	Wicker
Green (WI)	Oberstar	
Gutiérrez	Owens	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

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So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from Washington on Monday, May 22, 2006. As a result, I was not recorded for rollcall votes No. 177 and No. 178. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on rollcall No. 177 and No. 178.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I would like to submit this statement for the RECORD and regret that I could not be present today, Monday, May 22, 2006, to vote on rollcall votes Nos. 177 and 178 due to a family medical emergency.

Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on rollcall vote No. 177 on passage of S. 1235, the Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2005, and "yea" on rollcall vote No. 178 on passage of H.R. 3858, the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ANDREWS. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I missed two votes on May 22, 2006. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" on S.